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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

T. TAKEUCHI et al.

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For

CERAMIC PLATE FOR SIDE WEIR OF TWIN DRUM TYPE

CONTINUOUS CASTING APPARATUS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME **PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a two (2) month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed on November 19, 2003 for which a three (3) month response period expiring on February 19, 2004 was set. The extended period expires effectively on April 19, 2004.

Please charge the extension fee of Four Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$420.00) for a two (2) month extension of time to Deposit Account 11-0600. If any additional fee is required, please charge Deposit Account 11-0600. A copy of this Petition is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

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